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WEEK OF TRAINING FOR STAKE MUSICIANS

A musical institute for the training of Stake and Ward choristers and organists is being planned by the Stake Music Committee. The plan, which has been approved by the Stake Presidency, proposes a week of intensive training under the capable leadership of Tracy Y. Cannon, former Tabernacle organist, now head of the McCune School of Music, Salt Lake City.

Definite plans are rapidly being shaped, and only word from Professor Cannon is awaited as to the exact time he is able to come here, is necessary to complete all arrangements.

The purpose of the proposed institute is to standardize the musical leadership of Stake, foster budding talent and a finer appreciation of good music. All persons interested in attending the institute, which will be free, should make immediate application to their bishop, who will recommend a certain number from his ward. Those receiving such endorsement will be called by the Stake Presidency to take this special training under Professor Cannon. All bishops of the Stake will be asked to attend the first session so as to have a better understanding of the proper place music occupies in our Church services. Then will follow four evenings of intensive technical training, culminating in a grand musical concert, featuring Professor Cannon on the pipe organ. This final recital will be open to all members of the Stake and their friends, tickets to be secured from the bishops. Allotment of tickets will be made according to ward membership.

Tentative plans schedule the institute to be held the week of September 18th to 23rd, inclusive, in the Oakland Chapel, 7 to 9 p. m.

ASSISTANT STAKE CLERK

Evan Ray of San Francisco ward has been appointed assistant to Stake Clerk Reed S. Gardner by the Stake Presidency. The increasing detail work due to addition of branches to the Stake has become so heavy that an aid was necessary. Elder Ray, a returned missionary, is well qualified by training and experience to assist our able and efficient Stake Clerk.

GENEALOGICAL SUNDAY

In commemoration of the visit of the Angel Moroni to the Prophet Joseph Smith, September 21, 1823, the First Presidency has designated September 24, 1933, as genealogical Sunday.

It is desired that throughout the Church a part of the time of the sacrament services on that day be devoted to a program as outlined by the Genealogical Society. This program, featuring addresses by young men and women from 18 to 21 years of age, is printed in the "Deseret News" August 26th. Suggested musical numbers conform to the general theme of the meeting. Copies of this outlined program will be sent to each ward chairman by the Stake Genealogical committee.

Drama In Kirtland

On a crisp afternoon in February, 1831, a sleigh with four persons in it—three men and a woman—drew up in front of a store in Kirtland, Ohio. The occupants of the sleigh looked up at a sign on the store front which read "Gilbert & Whitney—General Merchandise."

One of the men, young and good looking, got out of the rear seat, where the woman was, sprang lightly up the steps onto the platform, and went into the store. Going up to a round-faced man behind the counter, he said in low, soft voice, at the same time extending his hand:

"Newel K. Whitney, thou art the man!"

The storekeeper stared blankly at the stranger, but took the proffered hand and held it mechanically. "I'm sorry, sir," he said, "but I don't seem to be able to place you, although you appear to know me."

"I'm Joseph the Prophet," was the answer. "You've prayed me here. Now what do you want of me?"

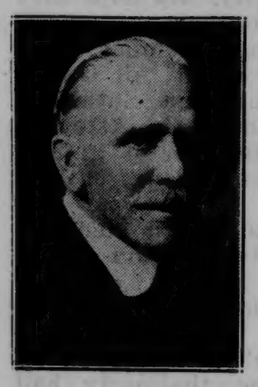
Thereupon the two fell to shaking hands in real earnest, talking and smiling agreeably.

Leaving the place in charge of a clerk, Whitney went out with the Prophet to greet the other members of the party. These were Emma Smith, Sidney Rigdon and Edward Partridge. Joseph and his wife were taken to the Whitney residence just across the street, where they remained for several weeks.

Such was the entrance of Joseph Smith into the town from which, after having lived there for seven years almost continuously, he was to flee for his very life.

—"Joseph Smith, an American Prophet," by Prof. John Henry Evans, published by MacMillan Co.

LEAVE FOR EUROPE



Dr. Jos. F. Merrill of the Council of Twelve, and Mrs. Merrill left Salt Lake August 26 for London, England, where he will succeed Dr. Widtsoe as president of the European Missions of the Church. They will visit en route the World's Fair at Chicago, and relatives in several eastern cities. They will sail from New York September 13, and land in London September 19.

MISSIONARY FAREWELL

A missionary farewell for Kay Lindsay of San Jose will be held in the Palo Alto amusement hall next Saturday evening, September 2nd. Kay is the eldest son of former Pres. and Mrs. Clyde W. Lindsay of the Stake Presidency. They resided in San Francisco before their removal to Watsonville and thence to San Jose. Kay, a fine young man, is leaving for England September 8th. Many are planning to attend the farewell.

CONFERENCE CONVENTIONS

Conventions of M. I. A. and Relief Society will be held in connection with Stake conference, October 21-22. Elder Geo. Albert Smith and members of the General Boards of these auxiliaries are expected to be present to give detailed instructions for the coming season's work.

TEMPLE LOT TITLE

The article concerning the temple lot at Independence, Mo., appearing in the August issue of The Messenger has been reprinted in the Church section of the Deseret News, August 19. This fine piece of research work was done by Attorney John C. Stirrart of Oakland.

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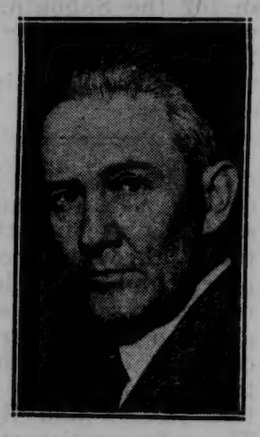

Sylvester Q. Cannon, Presiding Bishop of the Church spent last week in San Francisco on business. He was called as a state's witness against one, Kahn, who claimed he was the loaning agency for Church funds. He was convicted of fraudulently obtaining money from coast firms. Bishop Cannon was accompanied by Mrs. Cannon and son, James. They visited with their daughter, Mss Eleanor Cannon, of the San Francisco Ward.

SEVENTIES SUNDAY

Beginning September 1, this year all Seventies quorums of the Church will hold their monthly quorum meetings on the second Sunday of each month, as announced by the First Council of Seventy. Approval of the arrangements have been made by the First Presidency and the Council of the Twelve.

This will make no change in this Stake, for the general Stake Priesthood meeting is now held on the Second Sunday afternoon. However, there will be a change in the Stake Priesthood program, as a major part of the meeting will hereafter he devoted to quorum work.

In the Seventies quorum, the correspondence school lesson will be presented. This monthly meeting is not to be confused with the weekly group activity meetings each Sunday in the wards.

EXCURSION FARE

Special excursion rates to Salt Lake and return of $16.85 are announced by the Western Pacific and Southern Pacific railroads. Sale dates to leave August 31st to September 4th, with return limit September 12th.

ANNUAL M. I. A. HIKE TO STINSON BEACH

STAKE THREE-DAY OUTING SET FOR SEPTEMBER 2 TO 4

The annual M. I. A. hike gets under way this week end, Saturday to Monday, when the nature lovers from all parts of the Stake, join in the historic three-day outing to Stinson Beach. While it is expected that the numbers will be less, it is anticipated that it will be most enjoyable and pleasant of all "hikes" held during the past twenty years.

The veteran, John G. Larson, the founder of this "annual trek," will be generalissimo of the outing. This is a guarantee that every arrangement and plan will be taken care of. "It will be the old fashioned hike," says Larson, "for this year, we'll all be together in Laffalot and Driftwood, and not scattered all over Willow Camp as we have had to do in other years. The food and menus will be better, and will be served at Laffalot."

Accommodations have been made for eighty, but if more attend plans have been made to take care of them. The weather bureau has promised ideal conditions, so the long white beach is expected to be crowded with holiday campers. Howard McDonald will have charge of the bonfire program Saturday night, so all are urged to get an early start.

The Sunday morning services, held high on the rolling hills overlooking the blue Pacific, will be in charge of President Chas. C. Carr and the Stake missionaries. This great open-air service is one of the most impressive worshipping assemblies, and is long remembered by those privileged to attend. President Heber J. Grant and Mrs. Grant, joined with us here a few years ago, and has spoken of it many times since.

Superintendent W. Glenn Harmon with his corps of M. I. A. workers promise that the "1933 Hike" will be most historic of all.

TABERNACLE ORGANIST

Appointment of Wade M. Stephens, 25, of Ogden, as assistant Tabernacle organist is announced by the First Presidency. He will assist Frank Asper at the console of the great organ during the absence of Edward P. Kimball in Washington and Alexander Schreiner in Los Angeles. The new organist is a former student of Professor Kimball and has received the degrees of Bachelor and Master of Music from the Northwestern University at Chicago.

DEATH OF MRS. BEN E. RICH

Mrs. Nina Farr Rich, widow of Ben E. Rich, died at her home in Salt Lake, August 25. Funeral services were held last Sunday in the Tenth ward, Elder Geo. Albert Smith of the Council of the Twelve being one of the speakers. She was the mother of a large family, and served with her late husband during the time he presided over the Southern States Mission and the Eastern States Mission. She was beloved by the thousands of missionaries who served in these fields.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1.

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Remember the Sabbath Day

This divine commandment given in the early days of Israel, but actually instituted in the beginning of things, has been renewed in this latter dispensation to the Latter-day Saints. It is like every other mandate, a commandment with its accompanying blessing. To rest from one's labors one day in seven is wise. To direct one's thoughts and acts toward gaining greater divine knowledge and spiritual power on that day is still better.

If properly observed, this principle will not only promote the important results of physical rest and change, but it will also promote that peace and influence which are so necessary to spiritual training and normal progress.

During the summer and autumn season probably more than at any other times, there is a natural desire for vacations and other diversions. There need be no difficulty in enjoying nature and yet partaking of the spirit of the day of worship. The important thing to have mind on that day, no matter where one may be, is to seek and maintain the spirit of the day. It is, of course, not advantageous to make Sunday a day of excursions. But when we have occassion to be away from our regular places of worship on that day, if we have real appreciation of the blessings of the Gospel, we shall seek to cultivate the spirit of worship no matter how informal the conditions may be.

Every family that, as such, undertakes to conform to the spirit and purpose of the day of rest will grow in faith, unity and right living. Of course, the spirit of observance must be one of joy and willingness, and not one of repression and dissatisfaction. Young people need to have their thoughts and acts directed in kindliness and interest by their parents toward those things which make for stability and sweetness. To obtain the finest results, the love and consideration of parents for their children must be manifest in the example and the precepts shown them.

To keep the Sabbath we must remember that it is "holy," or set apart primarily for the service of God. So it should be kept in such a way as will accrue to the normal development of the individual. The Sabbath is made for the blessing and benefit of man, and not man for the Sabbath. On that day our objective should be to do these things which will promote our finer natures through the enjoyment of the Divine Spirit.

—The Presiding Bishopric in August Era.

(Ward Teachers Message for September.)

REPORT OF FIRST STAKE TEMPLE PILGRIMAGE

President Henry E. Thomson makes the following report of the initial genealogical excursion to Salt Lake last June:

The number participating was few, but they have expressed themselves as fully compensated for the trip, for a feeling of spiritual fellowship characterized the entire excursion. The party consisted of Mrs. Clara Acomb, Effie Bush, Mrs. A. D. Ericksen and S. R. Dunham, of Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schuman, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Eskelson, Mrs. J. Hayes and Gerda Anderson, of San Francisco; and Henry E. Thomson, Sunset. The party left Oakland June 9th and were met in Salt Lake by the Ensign Stake genealogical committee, who extended every courtesy to the group during their stay there. This had been arranged by Chairman Geo. Southgate of Berkeley, a former member of the Ensign Stake committee.

Sunday, June 11th, the group attended the M. I. A. convention, and on Monday, after a short conference with Secretary A. F. Bennett, a tour was made of the Genealogical Society. An expert in each department explained the nature of the detail work. The group was also piloted through the Church Historian's Office and Library and the general Church Office building, including the beautiful and commodious offices of the First Presidency.

Tuesday the official gathering for endowment work began at the Temple. This continued through Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Saturday by special arrangement of the Ensign Stake committee our group was taken through the Temple, visiting points and rooms leisurely and hence receiving a fuller experience and impression of the great work we had come to do and the magnificence of the place provided for the work. Sisters Acomb and Bush and President Thomson participated in a baptismal service, acting proxy for 188 names of the dead kin of Mrs. Alexander of Dimond ward.

Sunday, June 18th, the group attended the Genealogical Union meeting of the Ensign Stake, President Thomson and Sister Bush assigned on the program.

Here's the temple work accomplished by the charter temple excursion from our Stake:

Endowments—4 living; 64 for dead.
Baptisms—188.
Sealings—150 families.

A good showing, considering the size of the company, whose testimonies have inspired many others to participate in the next excursion. Already another pilgrimage is being planned to the Arizona Temple this fall or winter. Watch for future announcements, and shape your affairs to go.

SHIELDS APPOINTED

John G. Shields of Oakland has been appointed as an inspector with the State Board of Equalization, Sacramento. He will be field worker for the state in connection with the new sales tax. Shields, by temperment and training, is well qualified for his new appointment. His activities in the Church have been many and varied, having served in the Oakland bishopric, Sunday School, and is now a member of the Stake High Council.

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

M. I. A.

SLOGAN—"Inspired by the refining influences of Mormonism we will develop the gifts within us."

STAKE M. I. A. CHANGES

With the new Mutual season here, a number of changes in the personnel of the Stake officers is noted. With the resignation of Floyd J. Griffith, Superintendent W. Glenn Harman has chosen Manton M. Moody as second assistant. Moody was Activity Chairman of the East Bay last season, and did fine service, and his promotion to the Superintendency is a reward of merit.

Due to the resignations of President Clarissa B. Mahoney, and Second Councilor Janice S. George, the Y. L. M. I. A. has been reorganized. Trieste Pearson Hall has been chosen President with LaRee S. Tolman and Margaret S. Monson as counselors. The retirement of Secretary Sara Terry and Gleaner Leader La Verne Malin, two new members are added to the Board, in Kathryn Pearson as Secretary and Marge Woodruff Clarke as Gleaner Leader. Mrs. Hall is not a stranger to M. I. A. work, for she was the efficient Stake leader of the Young Ladies three years ago. Because of her fine work last year, Mrs Tolman was chosen to continue in the presidency. Mrs. Monson of Berkeley is a new comer to Stake work, but capable, and enthusiastic, and should be of real worth to M. I. A. cause. Mrs. Clarke and Miss Pearson, both from Dimond, are especially qualified for their assignments on the Board.

M. I. A.

Maybelle Anderson and Brother Anderson have just left for a month's stay in New York City. We hope they will enjoy their visit there.

M. I. A. Stake Board members were entertained by Betty and Bill Owens at an afternoon fun fest Saturday, August 26, at Durant Park. After all had enjoyed an afternoon of games, dinner was served and all present did full justice to it.

A party of Stake Board members entertained themselves at an afternoon theatre party, Saturday, August 12. The party was held at the Curran Theatre and the presentation of "Twentieth Century" was enjoyed by all. After the show, the party had dinner and were then entertained by Lillian Stookey at her home.

The Mutual season opens in San Francisco Stake the third week in September.

M. I. A. Union Meetings will be resumed in September. The third Sunday of each month at 2:15 p. m., in Oakland Ward will hereafter be set aside as the day for M. I. A. Union Meetings. September Union Meeting comes the Sunday before Mutuals open, and it is urged that a full representation from each Ward be present. A full organization of Stake Board workers will be present to discuss with your officers their problems and to outline work to assist you during the month.

M. I. A. convention will be held October 21 and 22 in Oakland Ward. Meetings with General Board Members are scheduled for these two days. This convention will be a school for all officers and teachers and all who attend will benefit. We cannot stress too much the importance of complete organizations from each Ward being present. These leadership meetings are for all officers and teachers and the information given out at these conventions by General Board Members from Salt Lake serve as the guide for officers for the coming year. Plan now to have your Ward organizations complete and 100 per cent present at these meetings. More of this outline will be given you at September Union Meeting.

NEW DEAL IN RECREATION GOES FORWARD

The "New Deal" in Stake Recreation announced in the last issue of The Messenger is meeting with tremendous enthusiasm throughout the Stake. The value of these Stake parties seems to have been demonstrated beyond question, for nowhere has been found any desire to drop them. On the contrary, the M. I. A. officers have been encouraged on every hand to go ahead with the program of furnishing to members of the Stake, and to all friends who may be interested, recreation, clean, wholesome, high class in every respect, but at a very nominal cost, made possible through cooperation.

The drive for sponsors is already under way and sponsors' cards are in the hands of Ward M. I. A. officers, who are conducting the canvass within each Ward under supervision of the Stake Board. It is planned to complete the drive before the opening session of the Mutual season so that the first function on the recreation program may be held the fore part of October.

Each sponsor is asked to contribute $3.50, and to hold himself in readiness to assist when called on in the arrangements for the parties. A sponsor card will be given him which will entitle him and his partner to all Stake functions. Record will be kept of the names and addresses of all sponsors so they may receive full information of events throughout the season. There will be a real effort put forward to weld the sponsors' group into a strong social unit functioning under the wing of the M. I. A.

Not less than eight Stake parties, one each month, alternating on each side of the bay, are planned. At least half of these parties will be held in hotels or other places of unquestioned reputation, and the rest in other suitable places. The cost of sponsors for these parties will average about 20 cents a person per party.

Opportunity will be given those who desire to become sponsors but who want time to pay for the card. A down payment may be made now, the balance of the $3.50 to be paid at the time of the first party, whereupon the card will be issued. If more time is wanted the price of the card will be $4.00, payable at the rate of not less than $1.00 per month, all to be paid by the time of the fourth party. No cards will be issued, however, until fully paid for. If more than one card is wanted in a family, additional cards may be had for $2.50 each, but this reduction applies only to families.

Persons who do not show a sponsors' card at the door will be required to pay admission.

The object of this plan is to place the Stake program on its feet financially, and make it independent of Ward budgets. It has the indorsement of the Stake Presidency, High Council and Bishops.

SEASON BEGINS

Tuesday, September 12, will mark the beginning of a new year's work for the M. I. A. and Primary throughout the Church. This will mark the date of the opening M. I. A. socials, actual class work to start the following week, September 19.

As announced by President May Anderson from Salt Lake, the Primaries of the Church will also begin their season's work, Tuesday afternoon, September 12.

CHURCH SLOGAN

For its members, the ideal of the Church of Jesus Christ, as stated by the Master Himself, is:

"BE YE THEREFORE PERFECT, EVEN AS YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN IS PERFECT."

—Matt. 5:48.

ASSESSMENT INSURANCE

The Presiding Bishopric have issued the following bulletin:

"Information has come to us regarding the organization of such societies in various parts of the Church whereby as many as one thousand members are enlisted to form an organization into which each pays an initial fee of from 50c to $1.00 or more and then agrees to pay a sum amounting in some cases to as much as $1.00 upon the death of any member, with the stipulation that if any one fails to pay any such assessment the membership is lost.

"According to those who have had considerable experience in such matters, there are two main objections to this plan: first, that those who undertake the organization of such associations receive considerable fees for so doing, and second, that assessment insurance such as this eventually fails to function, with the result that those who remain longest in the organization lose out. If it were possible to continually recruit young people in place of those who die or fail to pay, this objection might be overcome. But past experience has been to the contrary, with the result that sooner or later the organization decreases in members, leaving the older ones with little or no protection.

Births

DAUGHTER, born to Mr. and Mrs. Arden Allen of Centerville, August 9.
SON, born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Griffith of Sunset, July 28.

Deaths

MILLER—Niels P. Miller, 69, High Priest, of Mission, died July 25.
CROWTHER—Oswald Crowther, 25, of Sunset Ward, died July 29.
PRATT—Mrs. Sadie Pratt, 70, widow of late Nephi Pratt, died August 22, in Vallejo.

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AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

According to announcement of Pres. Elmer G. Peterson, the Utah State Agricultural College will open Monday, September 25th. Several boys of the Stake have attended the "A. C." and more than a dozen prominent members are graduates of the Logan institution.

News from Wards

HAYWARD

A baby girl was born to Arden and Hazel Allen of Centerville on August 9.

First Counselor Leonard J. Phister, his wife and his mother, Mrs. L. H. Phister, are spending a vacation in Utah.

Mrs. Mary E. Parry of Salt Lake, who has been visiting her son, Leo J. Parry, for several weeks has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Truscott spent the week-end of August 20 in Oakland visiting Mrs. Truscott's aunt.

Melvin Farmer and Herbert Wells have returned from Upper Lake to attend high school.

On Tuesday evening, August 15, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis F. Boyle met with a group of members at the home of President C. E. Johnston in an informal discussion on home building and poultry raising.

A father and sons' outing is being planned for September 3 and 4.

President and Mrs. C. E. Johnston and Mrs. Eva Loomis were called to San Francisco August 13 by the serious illness of Mrs. Loomis' father W. T. Webb. Brother Webb was the first president of the Hayward Branch and the Hayward members will be glad that he is now improving.

BERKELEY

The Berkeley Genealogical Committee invite the Stake to a Temple Pilgrimage banquet on Friday, September 22. "An Evening In Masa Arizona," will be the theme of the occasion. Come and join our celebration. Full course dinner and entertainment. Tickets 35 cents, children 25 cents.

The Genealogical Committee furnished the program for Sunday evening meeting, August 27; a beautiful pageant, "And they that are dead shall live," was part of the program. The speakers were Henry E. Thomson, Mary E. Hanks and Bishop P. W. Dunyon. Solos by Seldon Millward.

Patriarch Gaston L. Braley has returned to Highland hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis F. Boyle are here on furlough from Texas Mission where they have labored for five years. This is the third mission they have filled. In anticipation of a release in the near future they have purchased a home in the Dimond Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Moody are expecting their son, Alton, home August 30. He is a midshipman at the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis and will visit a few weeks in the bay district then go to San Diego for a short stay before returning to Annapolis.

Basil H. Peterson and wife were in charge of Berkeley Tuolumne Recreation Camp for the summer. Miss Bernice Peterson also spent the summer there.

Relief Society work and business meeting for the month was held at the home of Mrs. Erick Waldhouse.

New comers in the Ward are Floyd Taylor of Ogden, and Paul Grace of Logan. Both are doing graduate work at the University; also Lynn Wightman of Salt Lake, First Ward. We welcome them and hope they will remain with us this winter.

Berkeley Ward Relief Society has been reorganized, Sister Fanny Moody will act as President again this year. Sisters Clara Acomb and Lois Dunyon have been sustained as assistants. We all welcome Sister Dunyon into the ranks of Relief Society workers.

The speakers at meeting Sunday evening, August 20, were Erick Johnson, Stanley Dahlin and Glenn Robinson of Martinez Ward.

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DIMOND

The first Genealogical cottage meeting of the season was held Thursday evening, August 31, at the James H. England home. These meetings will be held every two weeks for the purpose of stimulating interest in research work.

Saturday, August 19, the first annual Dimond Ward reunion was held in Dimond Park. Games for children and adults were played under the direction of Elsie Cherrington, after which a picnic dinner was served. A bonfire and community singing were enjoyed until eight o'clock. In the evening dancing was enjoyed; many members of the Ward participating and a pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

At a recent Relief Society meeting Mrs. Clyde Curtis gave an interesting talk on her recent trip around the world. Community singing, games and refreshments completed the day.

Saturday, August 5, Miss Elsie Cherrington entertained at her home at a kitchen shower honoring Miss Ida Dunford. Many useful gifts were received by the bride-to-be.

Dr. and Mrs. Glen R. Dorius, recently removed to Payson, Utah, states that they are very happy and enjoying their new home. They send their greetings and best wishes to their many friends in Dimond.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Summerhays are home from a vacation in Provo and Salt Lake. Vearl Dixon, a cousin of Mrs. Summerhays, returned with them and will spend the winter here.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brown and family recently enjoyed a two weeks vacation in Salt Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Phelps and family returned home August 18 after enjoying a five weeks vacation in Idaho and Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Lovelane of Detroit, are recent arrivals in Dimond Ward to make their home. Mrs. Lovelane is a daughter of Mrs. Catherine Mathison.

Mrs. Edward Humphreys is enjoying a visit by her parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lyman and Mrs. E. Longbrake, of Rosemaid, Cal. Her mother, Mrs. Lyman, will remain a month.

C. C. Cherrington left Tuesday, August 29, on a business trip through the eastern states. He plans on visiting the Century of Progress Exposition at Chicago.

The many friends of Horace Cherrington are pleased to know that he has fully recovered from injuries received in a recent automobile accident.

Mrs. Zelma Van Matre is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Earl, after having spent the past year in Alaska.

We are happy to extend a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. John Soelberg and family on their return to Dimond Ward. They have been members of Elmhurst Ward during the past year.

The following is the schedule for Sacrament meetings during September: 3rd Bishop Phares W. Dunyon, speaker, subject: The Salt Lake Temple. 10th M. I. A. Program, Speaker Glenn Harmon. 17th Speakers: Alma D. Erickson and Frank J. Parsons of the Stake High Council.

ELMHURST

Our Boy Scouts, Troop 44, spent a recent week-end in Santa Cruz, accompanied by committeemen, Robt. C. Stoker, W. C. Owens and Dick Lawton.

Helene Brummet has returned from a visit with friends in Salt Lake.

Friends gave R. E. Stock a surprise party August 12 on the occasion of his birthday.

A Book of Mormon study class has been started by the younger set of the Ward. The first one was held at the home of Barbara Paine, and it is planned to hold the class in a different home each week. A fine idea and should prove very profitable to those who attend.

Sacrament meeting, August 13, was Aaronic priesthood night. Three boys, Richard Allphin, John Soelberg and Robert Brummet, were presented for ordination as Deacons. Five Deacons were advanced to Teachers: William Nelson, Verne Cragun, Kenneth Partington, Melvin Staley and Wendel Phillips.

Louis F. Boyle, Texas missionary, spoke of the work in the Lone Star state. President Macdonald who was in attendance, spoke briefly, directing his remarks to the boys about to be ordained Deacons. He asked them to report to him in six years, and see what Time had done to both he and the boys.

The High Priests of the Ward, with their wives, suprised Mrs. Robert C. Stoker, honoring her birthday, August 16.

Justin L. Marchant has been chosen President of the Y. M. M. I. A. with Glenn Smith and Adrian Schipper as Counselors. Merlin Stoker was named Secretary. Justin was president during one of the most successful Mutual seasons in the history of the Ward, so big things are expected for the coming season.

VALLEJO

Superintendent A. D. Hill of the Sunday School, and family have returned from an extended visit in Utah and the Middle West. They visited the World's Fair at Chicago and many points of early Church history.

Fred Kempton, Ward clerk, and wife, are vacationing in Utah.

This seems to be "baby year" in Vallejo. Ten babies have been blessed thus far, including the Myron Telford twins.

Mrs. Elmo Carr has returned from Salt Lake where she was called due to the death of her father.

Eleven members of our Sunday School attended union meeting last Sunday in Oakland.

Funeral services were held August 22 for Mrs. Sadie Pratt, widow of Nephi Pratt, former president of the Northwestern States Mission, under the direction of President Carr. Glowing tributes were paid to the memory of this faithful woman, whose long life had been devoted to the Church. She knew Brigham Young when she was a girl in Fillmore, where her father presided as Bishop, and later as Stake President. For five years, Sister Pratt presided over the Portland Relief Society while her husband presided over the Mission. Interment was in Vallejo.

NEWS FROM THE WARDS

SUNSET

Bishop Stephen H. Winter has returned from a General Electric sales convention at Bridgeport, Conn. He brings the good news that "prosperity is just around the corner."

Sunset Ward welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Howard McDonald and daughters, who have just moved to San Francisco from Berkeley.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Webb of Provo, Utah, are also new members of the Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Griffith announce the arrival of a son on July 28.

The following Ward members are home again after vacations: Lois Tueller from Salt Lake; Nita Bingham from Ogden; Ruth Clawson, Salt Lake; Mathew T. Mildon and son John, from Ogden; Evelyn Hanson and children from Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Shreeve from Ogden, and Mrs. Clarissa Mahoney from Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drakoma, newlyweds, are now located in the Ward. Mrs. Drakoma was formerly Mildred Beattie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beattie.

The Y. M. M. I. A. was recently reorganized with W. Yates Farnsworth as superintendent, with Warren S. Whittaker and Howard A. Burnham as assistants, and Wallace Player, as secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence I. Mangum of Utah were recent guests of Bishop and Mrs. Winter.

Funeral services of Oswald Crowther, 25, were held July 31. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crowther. The young man died after a lingering illness of several months.

MARTINEZ

Oscar Fontano of Alameda was speaker at Sacrament services, August 13.

Robt. T. Paine and Leon Cheney, Stake Missionaries, were speakers at Sunday evening services, August 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brey have returned from a short vacation to Salt Lake City.

Stanley Dahlin and Jack Bunce are visiting in Vancouver, Washington.

Blaine Wadsworth has returned after a summer in Idaho.

Kay Knowles was baptized August 5.

Martinez Ward won the Sunday School efficiency banner for this month.

Ervan Robison is around again after an appendicitis operation recently.

SAN FRANCISCO WARD

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Franzen celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, August 27. Many friends and relatives called to wish them continued happiness together.

Mr. and Mrs. James G. Larison, celebrated their twenty-seventh wedding, August 15. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crowthers, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnson, surprised the couple with a delicious luncheon.

Mrs. Alvenia Okey, Mrs. Clara L. McAuley and Miss Afton Starley have gone to Utah to spend some time visiting with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth K. Clew, accompanied by Miss May Wightman and Mrs. Carol Teeples have returned from a trip to Utah.

Elder Karl Nemez who has just been released from the German Mission, after twenty-nine months of faithful missionary work, has returned to his home in San Francisco.

The Relief Society entertained at a surprise party on their President Mrs. Serena Farnsworth, at her home. There were about twenty-five ladies present, and a delicious luncheon was served, after which the afternoon was spent in an impromptu program.

Mrs. Serena Farnsworth and family are happy over the success which has attended their son and brother, Philo T. Farnsworth, who is receiving national acclaim because of his successful completion of television. Mr. Farnsworth has his laboratory in the offices of the Philco Company in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Mary Bowring has gone to Utah. She will return shortly and be accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Alice T. Barnett and her son Dale, who have been in Utah for several months.

Presiding Bishop Sylvester Q. Cannon, accompanied by Mrs. Cannon and their family, were San Francisco visitors, and attended services in the San Francisco Ward, Sunday morning. Bishop and Mrs. Cannon visited with their daughter, Miss Eleanor Cannon who resides in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Beckstrand, and son, Thane, were San Francisco visitors. Mr. Beckstrand is President of the San Jose Branch.

We are pleased to welcome back to San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Aveson. They were former members of the San Francisco Ward.

Miss Jean MacDonald, and Miss Mabel Matheson, are leaving on a visit to Arizona. They are going by boat to Los Angeles, and then on by train to Arizona.

WEDDINGS by Bishop C. W. Nalder: Dr. Jos. E. Tillotson, and Miss Martha Eulalia Kirkham, August 16. Mr. John Topolos, and Miss Laura Louise Titus, August 9.

Friends and relatives of Mr. Wilford T. Webb are rejoicing over his recovery to health. He has been very seriously ill. Although his recovery is slow, marked improvement is shown.

Mr. T. M. Kranenberg is visiting in Sonoma County with his daughter.

Miss Ruth Lambert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Lambert, is visiting with her family. She and her sister, Miss Merial Lambert, spent some time in New York with other members of the family. Miss Merial remained in New York. Miss Ruth Lambert is a teacher in the public schools in Salt Lake City.

BALBOA WARD

Sea Scout Ship 120 sponsored by the Balboa Ward again entered into a busy season. The unit recently completed a cruise to Stockton as the crew of the famous 100-foot sailing yacht "Idalia" owned by Dr. Painless Parker. On August 30, at the George Washington Masonic Temple, meeting place of Balboa Ward, the Ship received Second Class Rating from the hands of Sea Scout Commissioner G. Moore-Skogman. Ship 120 is the first Ship of Sea Scouts in San Francisco to receive this high award. Presentation of the various Sea Scout activities was made by demonstrations in which the entire Unit participated before an audience of parents and friends. Advancement medals were given to Sea Scouts: Elmer Lago, Albert Ruling, Allen Judson, Charles Carroll, Arlo Pearson and Carlton Nelson. Due to the splendid advancement of the Ship, Skipper Clyde V. Pearson was asked to have Ship 120 serve as the Guard aboard the historic frigate U. S. S. "Constitution" on September 3, 1933, the first day of that ship's return to San Francisco Bay.

The Ship is greatly indebted to Captain Leslie Hanson and the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company for a twenty-six-foot sailing whaleboat which was received through their kindness.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Felsch announce the engagement of their daughter Drusella to Mr. William Irwin. The wedding is to take place September 2. Several showers have been given this popular young couple by their friends, the past two weeks. We wish to extend our best wishes to this young couple.

We have the report from Logan, Utah, of the wedding of Lamar N. Bott, eldest son of former Bishop Nephi Bott of the old Daly City Ward, to Arba Maurine Smart, of Logan, Utah. Best wishes, also.

MISSION

Presiding Bishop Sylvester Q. Cannon and Stake President Macdonald were speakers at Sunday evening services, August 20, as well as E. J. Partington and L. Movell Day, Stake missionaries.

Warren D. Montague is recovering from a recent appendicitis operation.

H. Evan Giles and family are visiting in Los Angeles. He is superintendent of our Sunday School.

Mrs. Eva B. Merrill and Mrs. Foster B. Merrill and daughter returned July 27 from a six weeks visit with relatives in Lehi, Utah.

Jos. E. Robinson, former president of California Mission, visited our Ward, August 27.

Edgar L. Morgenegg and Arthur Mathison were speakers at Sacrament services August 13.

Bishop and Mrs. Merrill have returned after attending funeral services of their son-in-law, Ray Strong at Alpine, Utah, killed in an auto accident.

Niels Peter Nielson Miller, High Priest, 69, died July 25, after a lingering illness. Born in Brorstrop, Denmark, June 13, 1864, he came to the United States and lived in Wisconsin, then Utah, and for 26 years was a farmer of Iowa, finally coming to San Francisco for his health. During all this time he was a faithful and active Church worker. He was a Ward teacher and member of the Mission Ward Genealogical Committee. Besides his widow he leaves four sons and four daughters, three of who reside in San Francisco. Funeral services were held July 27 under the direction of Bishop Merrill. Interment was in the L. D. S. plot, Cypress Lawn Cemetery.

Priesthood Group Committees, recently set in order by President Macdonald, are developing real activity, and we are looking for big things from our quorum groups.

OAKLAND

Hon. Frank Evans, former Land Bank Commissioner at Washington, D. C., was the speaker at Sacrament services, August 27. Accompanied by Mrs. Evans, the Judge is doing special work at the University at Berkeley.

Mrs. Ralph B. Jordan and her brother, Dr. George Smith, have been called to Logan by the illness of their mother.

Presiding Bishop Sylvester Q. Cannon, Mrs. Cannon and their son, James, were dinner guests of President and Mrs. W. Aird Macdonald, August 22. The Bishop was a business visitor in San Francisco last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Eldon Rex and son have returned after several weeks vacation in Logan, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Stone and family have returned after two months vacation in Washington and Utah. Mr. Stone is with the Safeway stores.

Mrs. L. Mathews of Salt Lake City is a house guest of the Raymond C. Naylors of Piedmont.

Mrs. Mary Rex is enjoying the visit of her mother and sister from Logan, Utah.

Bernice Maxwell and Dwayne Peck will be married Saturday, September 2, by Bishop Jacobs in the Oakland Chapel. This popular young couple have the joyous good wishes of a host of friends in the Ward. Both have been popular in Church activities. Good luck.

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